

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PFOR EG XF  
SUBJ: AKHBAR EDITORIAL REJECTS CONCEPT OF SECURE BORDERS

1. AKHBAR MARCH 15 CARRIES UNSIGNED EDITORIAL WHICH IS  
RESPONSE TO CURRENT CONTROVERSY OVER "DEFENSIBLE" OR " SECURE"  
BORDERS FOR ISRAEL, ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO REFERENCE TO PRESIDENT  
CARTER'S MARCH 9 PRESS CONFERENCE. EDITORIAL STATES EMPHATICALLY  
THAT OCTOBER 1973 WAR ENDED CONCEPT OF SECURE BORDERS, AS  
EGYPTIANS QUICKLY BREACHED SUPPOSEDLY IMPREGNABLE BAR-LEV LINE  
AND ME NOW LIVING IN AGE OF LONG-RANGE MISSILES WHICH MAKE ANY  
BORDERS MEANINGLESS. EDITORIAL DRAWS CONCLUSION THAT ISRAELI  
INSISTENCE ON SECURE BORDERS THUS MERELY A PLOY TO ANNEX  
ARAB TERRITORY AND TO SABOTAGE GENEVA MEPC. EDITORIAL NOTES THAT  
SPEECH BY PRES SADAT TO OPENING SESSION OF PNC REAFFIRMED THAT  
ARABS WILL NOT CEDE "INCH OF LAND" AND REJECTED ISRAELI LOGIC ON  
SECURE BORDERS.

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2. COMMENT: BELIEF THAT OCTOBER WAR NEGATED ISRAELI CONCEPT OF  
SECURE BORDERS WIDELY HELD AT UPPER LEVELS OF GOE AND SADAT  
HAS EXPRESSED THIS OPINION TO CODELS AND JOURNALISTS FREQUENTLY SINCE  
1973. GOE THUS TEMPTED TO VIEW ENTIRE "DEFENSIBLE" VERSUS "SECURE"  
CONTROVERSY AS CONTRIVED, WHICH REFLECTED IN EDITORIAL  
HEADLINE: "SECURE BORDERS IN THE ROCKET AGE?".

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